

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS22690

This legislation provides that all mature and working beef cattle bulls in the state of Idaho will be tested annually for trichomoniasis. The disease causes abortion of calves. Bulls remain infected with trichomoniasis for life. Females clear themselves of the disease after aborting a calf. Currently, bulls north of the Salmon River are exempt from this requirement. Statewide testing will keep cattle herds healthy, prevent abortions, and facilitate imports and exports of Idaho cattle.

FISCAL NOTE

There is no fiscal impact to the general fund.



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